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**"Writing is self-therapy.
I write instead of going to
Dr. Glockenspiel at \$30
an hour."**

Nell Simon
(1927-)
Quoted in the Chicago Tribune,
October 6, 1968

Why do I write? One of the very particular reasons why I do is to record information about my world. At points in my life I am sure that I write as "self-therapy"; perhaps there is more of a self-therapy aspect to my writing at the moment than I am aware of.

When JVD arrived here soon, he gave me a copy of "The Evolution of the Outhouse" by Ernest E. Clemens, which is inscribed as follows inside the front cover:

"Robert —
Much happiness in your new dwelling & annex!
Connie & Jack"

Very amusing. I read the entire pamphlet (about 30 pages) in one sitting, if you please, but not in the Palazzo Grudelfs, rather, in the Rebecca Colville Parlor Chair.

9-11:30 - move filing cabinet organizing; Alvin Seamus cut the hayfields across from me today. This is the second or third time he has done so.

12-4 PM - moved the stereo to the Elkdale wall & put up the wire along the wall and now I can get fairly good FM reception.

at about 3 PM, I went out in the field behind the house and got ^{into the air} the Phoenix kite that DWP gave me. It is very fragile and I did not want to risk tearing it and so I just put it up a little way and that was that. Perfectly beautiful early autumn day - about 70°; breezy and very sunny. I have been luxuriating in the air & light and sun all day long.

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Two more substitute teaching applications - Delaware Valley School District - and Susquehanna Community High School. The former is the farthest away ^{yet} - Milford - and I will not send in the form. The other is from the Susquehanna Community High School in Susquehanna; school day 8:10 - 3:25; \$50/day. The application is very short and straightforward & so I will send it in.



Susquehanna Community High School

R.D. 3, Box 5A
SUSQUEHANNA, PA. 18847
(717) 853-4921

Dr. Patrick V. Chiesa
Principal

John B. Parker
Director of Guidance

August 1, 1984

Dear Candidate:

Each year the Susquehanna Community High School accepts applications for substitute teaching. Possession of a Pennsylvania teaching certificate that includes secondary grades (7-12 or K-12) is required for substituting in grades 7-12, except in emergencies.

If you are interested in substituting in our school during the 1984-85 school year, please complete the information below. Return this letter and a copy of your Pennsylvania teaching certificate unless your certificate is already on file. You will be notified of a personal interview if necessary.

The normal school day is from 8:10 A.M. to 3:25 P.M. Substitute teachers are expected to perform all assignments and duties of the regular teachers including: homeroom, corridor duty, laboratory duty, lunch duty (paid) and afternoon bus supervision. The rate of pay for substitutes is fifty (\$50.00) dollars a day.

Sincerely,

P.V. Chiesa
Patrick V. Chiesa
Principal

Please complete and return with teaching certificate to the High School Office.

(Print or type) 1984-85
Name SILAS R. POWELL Date 09-14-1984
Address P.O. Box 161 Phone No. 717-679-2979
CARBONDALE, PA 18407 ZIP 18407
Date of Birth 12-12-1943 Physical Condition Excellent
Pennsylvania Teaching Certificate Enclosed? (YES) ✓, NO , ON FILE
Available to teach in areas outside of present certification (YES) ✓, NO
Social Security No. 198-34-0586; Signature Robert Powell

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Mailed on 9/14/84
at 1 P.M. from
Forest City, PA.

- copy of
teaching
Certificate
enclosed.